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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/63/101, the General Assembly will be required to appoint, at its current session, five persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2009.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Aïcha Afifi (Morocco)

Renata Archini (Italy)

Vladimir Alekseevitch Iosifov (Russian Federation)

Alejandro Torres Lépori (Argentina)

Susan M. McLurg (United States of America)

Alexander Petriashvili (Georgia)

3. The candidates' curricula vitae follow (see annex).

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Annex

Curricula vitae of candidates

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Aïcha Afifi (Morocco)

Executive summary

Mrs. Aïcha Afifi, Minister Plenipotentiary, is a senior diplomat who has served as a highly ranked public servant in many ministries in Morocco for many years. She has extensive professional and academic experience in Morocco and the United States, including 34 years in public administration, management, diplomacy, research, feasibility studies, project management, teaching, international development and gender issues. She has participated in many international conferences, summits and special sessions of the United Nations General Assembly and is fluent in French, Arabic and English, plus other dialects.

Educational background

Mrs. Afifi was educated in both Morocco and the United States. She holds several degrees in law, management, economics, finance and politics.

United States, 1987-1995
The American/and the Catholic Universities

Doctorate in management/economics
Certificate on international development

Morocco, 1970-1984
The Higher Institute of Management and Administration of Enterprises, Casablanca

Master of Business Administration
Higher certificate of Management

The National School of Public Administration, Rabat

Bachelors of Art in Public Finance and Government Contracting

The University Mohammed V Rabat

Higher Diploma in Law

Professional experience

January 2005-present: Minister Plenipotentiary at the Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco

September 2005-present: Deputy Chief of Mission

Represented the Ambassador in many official events acting as chargé d'affaires; responsible for managing administrative, budgetary, and political issues of the Embassy

Reorganized and coordinated all the Embassy's activities

Created a task force among the Embassy's diplomats

Supervised and monitored implementation of the Embassy's policy plan

Organized a briefing on Moroccan reforms and achievements

Organized seminars and conferences in partnership with universities

Participated in the preparation and organization of two nationwide conventions held in Washington, D.C. by the Moroccan community (June 2006-July 2007), with a goal of creating a network of Moroccan-Americans living in the United States

Co-founded a Moroccan-American women's organization in Washington, D.C.

Coordinated and supervised all events organized with other entities (including think tanks, NGOs, universities)

January 2005-September 2005: Minister Counsellor in charge of political affairs

Dealt with issues of interest common to Morocco and the United States

Promoted the Moroccan democratic reforms within the Congress and human rights NGOs

Represented Morocco in many events held in Washington, D.C. and other States

October 1998-August 2004: Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Morocco to the United Nations

Mrs. Afifi, Minister Plenipotentiary, carried out several responsibilities and held different positions within the Main Committees of the United Nations General Assembly as well as within the regional groups.

January 2003-January 2004: Chair of the Group of 77 and China — Fifth Committee

Planned and organized the Group of 77 and China work

Coordinated the Group of 77 countries' positions in all common topics

Created and supervised working groups in charge of studying and analysing the budget for the biennium 2004-2005

Prepared statements made on behalf of the Group of 77 before the Fifth Committee

Coordinated the Group of 77 negotiations

Represented the Group of 77 negotiating on many issues on behalf of the groups with the most important contributors to the United Nations budget

United Nations biennial budget 2004-2005

Reform of the budget planning cycle

Assessment of the implantation of human resources reform

Reviewed and examined the scale of assessment system

Follow-up on the reform of pattern of conferences

Reform of the administrative tribunal

Some aspects of the key peacekeeping mission, in particular the budget

Mediation in case of conflicting situations within groups or countries

October 1998-September 2002: Moroccan delegate to the Third Committee of the General Assembly

Monitored and participated in negotiation of a plan of action initiated by the Third Committee

Dealt with many social and humanitarian issues: proposed, amended and negotiated several resolutions

Prepared the Moroccan statements on social development, human rights, rights of the child and the advancement of women

United Nations system

Vice-Chair of the preparatory committee for the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly

Vice-Chair of ad hoc committee of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly (Beijing+5)

Chair of the working group in charge of finalizing chapters on Africa, international cooperation and globalization of the Action Plan of the World Summit for Social Development (Copenhagen+5)

Chaired like-minded groups dealing with issues not coordinated by the Group of 77

Vice-Chair of the preparatory committee on the Second World Assembly on Ageing

Chaired working group in charge of the political declaration of the Assembly

Vice-Chair of the special committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing held in Madrid

Participation in seminars/training organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in partnership with some other institutions

Structure, drafting and adopting of the United Nations resolution

Public communication/interviews

Global issues and challenges facing the United Nations: legal, humanitarian, and political perspectives (June 2004; organized by Columbia University Law School and UNITAR)

Member of panel on results-based budgeting, organized by the United Nations in partnership with the Australian and Switzerland embassies, Princeton, New Jersey

1997-1998: Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation

Senior Administrator in charge of the functioning of the under-secretariat dealing with the Moroccan community residing abroad

Managed administrative and budgetary functions

1995-1997: Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Administrator of Human Resources, Budgeting and Equipment

Managed and planned the department's budget

Supervised and coordinated human resources tasks

Taught management courses at private universities

1993-1995: Association for a Global Peace Conference (Tennessee, United States)

Management consultant and planner

Contributed to a peace proposal submitted to influential members of the United States Congress

Taught principles of management at CPC College, Illinois, United States

1985-1987: Ministry of Education
Administrator, Division of Legal Affairs and Research:

Proposed new policy projects and submitted amendments to existing policies

Prepared protocols for the international cooperation in teaching

Planned and organized conferences and seminars on reform of government contracting

1982-1985: Ministry of Public Works
Administrator, Head of Management Department:

Coordinated internal and external administration activities

Created project implementation and monitoring procedures and rules

Member of technical committee in charge of implementing and evaluating the reform of the external services of the Ministry

Created a directory of rules and regulations of the government contracting and accounting

1981-1982: Ministry of Cooperation

Adviser to the Minister

Managed International Cooperation and Public Relations

1978-1981: Ministry of Transportation
Head of Public Transportation Department:

Acted several times as the interim Director

Managed feasibility studies, authorization and licensing, planning and scheduling of public transportation

Created the first directory of ground public transportation in Morocco

Studied, analysed and prepared proposals for international ground transportation

Participated in negotiating international ground transportation agreement with some EU countries

Created directory of The National Commission jurisprudence on public transportation

1977-1978: Ministry of Education
Coordinate Office of the General Secretary

Studied and analysed confidential reports addressed to the Minister by general inspectors

Resolved problems relating to education

Supervised and monitored implementation of new laws governing public contracting

Research and publications

Co-author of the women's chapter, a worldwide project on women and politics funded by UNESCO and the Ford Foundation and published by Yale University Press, United States

Author of application of marketing approach to family planning in Morocco

Published several articles, inter alia: motivation, management by objectives; strategic planning applied to public policies; Arab women in development: case of the Moroccan women

Seminars and conferences

A panel member on ethics and public service (Rabat)

A panel member on internalizing norms of management projects

Seminar on the European Community's affairs (Paris-Strasbourg-France)

The role of the Maghreb women's NGOs in strengthening relationships among the Maghreb countries and fostering implementation of the signed agreements and conventions (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya)

Designed workshops for projects organized by the IDNS/Maghreb

Communication workshops, networking activities and growth strategy for women's enterprises (Rabat)

Empowerment of women's leadership (San Francisco)

Negotiation techniques for international development

Colloquium on international trade

Speaker

Importance of NGOs and civil society involvement in public affairs (New Jersey)

Microcredit as tool to develop small business (Morocco)

Family status in Morocco, Copenhagen (Denmark)

Social development, including grass-roots social groups (Morocco)

Rights of the child in an Islamic society (Europe)

Fund-raising goals and techniques; case of St. Jude Hospital Department of Development

Women and politics in Muslim countries: case of Morocco (Denmark)

Women's civil rights according to the Muslim religion (Europe)

Arab women and development: case of Morocco (United States of America)

Memberships

Co-founder of the League of Executive Women in Public and Semi-Public Sectors (Rabat)

Co-founder of the Association of Women Enterprise (Casablanca)

Alumni Association of the American Universities (United States-Morocco)

Alumni Association of Higher Institute of Management and Administration (Casablanca)

Volunteer work

Organized workshops fund-raising for the Maghreb Heads of NGOs

Created cooperative and workshops for young professionals

International volunteer for foreign families with children at St. Jude Hospital, United States

Counselled rural women on health care and family planning (Morocco)

Presented lectures on the role of women in social and economic development (Morocco)

Organized workshops for African businesses (Casablanca)

Organized weaving and embroidery projects generating incomes for poor women (Morocco)

Interviews

Moroccan radio station, Algerian and Libyan Arab Jamahiriya radio stations and television, Copenhagen newspapers and television, French media, United Nations Radio

Travel

Visited many cities and villages in Europe, Africa, Asia and the Middle East as a speaker, panellist or member of the Moroccan delegation

Renata Archini (Italy)

[Original: English]

Professional experience

Ms. Archini has a long-standing experience with the functioning of international organizations — in particular the United Nations — especially with administrative/personnel/budgetary issues.

2005-present: Ms. Archini is currently holding the position of Ministerial Adviser at the General Directorate for Political and Multilateral Affairs, dealing with administrative and legal aspects of the financing of United Nations activities, as well as ensuring liaison with the Interministerial Committee for Human Rights, whose mission consists of the implementation of the recommendations of treaty bodies at the national level.

2001-2005: Ms. Archini served at the Italian Embassy in Washington, with inspection and oversight functions for the management of Italian Consular offices in the United States (11 offices) and Canada (4 offices). She performed field inspections, recommending rationalization measures and simplified procedures wherever possible, in particular encouraging sharing of services in order to save resources.

1997-2001: Counsellor for Administrative Affairs at the Italian Mission to the United Nations, dealing primarily with financial and budgetary issues (peacekeeping operations and the United Nations Logistics Base).

1997-2000: Delegate to the Fifth Committee.

1998-2000: Delegate to the Committee for Programme and Coordination, later becoming Vice-Chairman. Participant in the annual meetings of the Geneva Group, in both Geneva and New York.

1994-1996: Alternate Representative to the Fifth Committee.

1993: Assigned to the General Directorate for Migration of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, with the position of Head of the Office providing financing to Italian Consulates around the world for assistance to Italian citizens abroad.

1990-1993: Counsellor for Administrative and Consular Affairs at the Italian Embassy in Moscow, with competence also over Belarus and Ukraine, performing mainly consular functions.

1982-1989: Administrative Chief at the Italian Mission to the United Nations in New York, dealing in particular with the administration of the Italian helicopter contingent (United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon) and personnel issues, mainly the geographic representation of Italian nationals in the United Nations system.

1985-1990: Delegate to the Fifth Committee.

1985-1989: Member of the Committee on Conferences.

1980-1982: Responsible for the Budget Office at the General Directorate for Personnel and Administrative issues at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, dealing with the preparation of annual budget as well as the management of the revolving fund for extraordinary expenditures.

Previous professional experience

Ms. Archini began her career in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1968 as a Foreign Languages Expert. From 1970-1978 she set up the Ministry's Translation and Interpretation Section, which under her leadership became a permanent Translation and Interpretation Service for Government members and a Centre for International Conferences.

Member of the Italian delegation to the Preliminary Conference for Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), in Helsinki (1972-1975), with the task of facilitating the inclusion of Italian as one of the Conference's official languages, she subsequently participated in the CSCE Review Conference in Belgrade in 1977.

In 1994/1996 she was appointed to the National Commission for Equal Opportunities at the Ministry of Labour, reviewing projects to be financed, and subsequently she was nominated President of the Committee for Equal Opportunities of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Education

Degree in Modern Languages and Literature, *magna cum laude*, from the University of Rome (1967)

Degree in Political Sciences in Eastern European Countries, Naples Institute for Oriental Studies (1975)

Diploma from the School of Philosophy of Karlova University, Prague (1964)

Languages

French, Russian and English. Knowledge of Czech and Spanish.

Ms. Archini has translated literary works from Russian and Czech for Italian publishing houses; she is also a member of the Italian Society of Authors and Publishers.

She is married to Bruno De Giovanni.

Vladimir Alekseevitch Iosifov (Russian Federation)

[Original: English]

Date and place of birth: 17 September 1948, Moscow

Nationality: Russian Federation

Marital status: Married with two sons

Education

1966-1971	Master of International Relations from Moscow State Institute (University) of International Relations

Professional experience

1971	Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
1971-1975	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Embassy in London
1975-1981	Third, Second Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
1981-1987	Political Affairs Officer, Political and Security Council Affairs Department, United Nations Secretariat
1987-1993	Counsellor, Department for Security Affairs and Disarmament, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, Delegation of the Russian Federation to the Conference of Disarmament (Geneva)
1993-1997	Head of Conference Services, Acting Director of Administration, Provisional Technical Secretariat for the Organization on the Prohibitions of Chemical Weapons, The Hague (The Netherlands)
1997-2001	Principal Counsellor, Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Responsible for the designing and implementation of the strategy and policies concerning reforms, administrative affairs, human resources, budgetary and financial issues at the United Nations, its agencies and other international organizations
2001-2006	Senior Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations Representative to the United Nations General Assembly, Fifth Committee Representative to the Committee on Programme and Coordination Representative to the Committee on Conferences Questions of the International Civil Services Commission Committee on Contributions, Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

2006-present	Deputy Director, Department of the International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Responsible for designing and implementation of the strategy and policies concerning reforms, administrative affairs, human resources, budgetary and financial issues at the United Nations, its agencies and other international organizations

Other activities

2000-2001, 2006-present	Member of the Advisory Group on Administrative and Budgetary Matters of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty
2000-present	Member of the Advisory Body on Administrative and Financial Matters of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons
2006-present	Member of the Budget Committee of the Council of Europe, Member of the Coordinating Committee on Remuneration (Council of Europe, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Western European Union, European Space Agency, European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts)
2006-present	Member of the Advisory Committee on Management and Finance of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe

Languages: Russian (mother tongue), English (fluent), Italian (basic)

Alejandro Torres Lépori (Argentina)

[Original: Spanish]

First Secretary Alejandro Torres Lépori has been a member of the Foreign Service of the Argentine Republic since 1999.

In 2004 he was posted to the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, and since the fifty-ninth session has served as the representative of Argentina on the Fifth Committee, which has responsibility for United Nations administrative and budgetary questions. At the sixty-second session he was elected Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Mr. Torres Lépori has extensive technical expertise in United Nations administrative and budgetary questions. He has successfully coordinated negotiations on a number of Fifth Committee resolutions in virtually every area within its purview. At the sixty-second session he coordinated negotiations on the programme budget of the United Nations for the biennium 2008-2009. He has also coordinated a large number of resolutions on other items, including administration of justice, pattern of conferences, and revised estimates for special political missions. He has also represented the Group of 77 and China in negotiations on other Fifth Committee items, in particular items relating to human resources management.

In addition, from 2000 to 2003 he represented Argentina on the Committee for Programme and Coordination, serving as rapporteur at its forty-second session, in 2002. He has also represented Argentina on the Committee on Conferences, and was elected Vice-Chairman in 2008.

Since 2005 he has been responsible for various issues before the United Nations Security Council, in particular the question of Haiti. In 2005 and 2006, when Argentina was a member of the Council, he introduced and negotiated several draft resolutions and draft presidential statements on Haiti.

He also took part in the expert meetings on the scale of assessments of the Organization of American States (OAS) held in Washington, D.C., in 2007.

Prior to his appointment to the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, Mr. Torres Lépori served in the Department of International Organizations and in the Office of Latin American Economic Integration of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship in Buenos Aires. He has also represented Argentina at meetings of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and OAS.

Before joining the Foreign Service, Mr. Torres Lépori worked as a journalist and academic, and collaborated on projects at the Centre for Legal and Social Studies (CELS). He has written several articles on relations between MERCOSUR and the European Union, on the International Criminal Court, and on the Argentine Constitution.

Mr. Torres Lépori speaks Spanish, English and French, and has some knowledge of Portuguese and Italian. He holds an undergraduate degree in political science and law from the University of Buenos Aires and a postgraduate degree in international relations from the Institute for Political Studies in Paris.

Susan M. McLurg (United States of America)

[Original: English]

Current professional experience

United States Department of State, United States Mission to the United Nations

Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (2000-present)

Minister Counsellor for budgetary, financial, administrative, personnel/common system and reform issues for the United Nations and New York-based United Nations programmes and funds (1999-2004)

Deputy Counsellor/Adviser for budgetary, financial, administrative and personnel/common system issues for the United Nations and New York-based United Nations programmes and funds (1983-1999)

Delegate to the Fifth Committee (1983-2003)

Delegate to the Committee for Programme and Coordination (1983-1990 and 1994-1999)

Member of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Committee (1992-2003)

Vice-Chairman, Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board (1996-1999)

Delegate to the Committee on Conferences (1983-1989)

Delegate to the United Nations Children's Fund (1986-1993)

Delegate to the United Nations Development Programme (1991-1992)

Delegate to the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for South Africa (1985-1986)

Previous professional experience

Project Director for employment and training programme for minorities in New York City sponsored by the Sheet Metal Workers' Union

Project Monitor for employment and training programmes funded by the United States Department of Labor

Education

Bachelor of Arts degree from Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey, 1976

Alexander Petriashvili (Georgia)

[Original: English]

Education

1987-1992	BA in economic and social geography, Tbilisi State University, Georgia
2000	NATO Defense College, Rome Researching topic related to United Nations reform, providing new ideas and prospects for modernization of existing United Nations administrative and budgetary offices, visiting United Nations Headquarters and meeting with respective United Nations officials

Professional experience

October 2004-present **Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Georgia to Turkmenistan and the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan**

Improving economic and political ties between Turkmenistan and Georgia, as well as with Afghanistan

Actively participating in multilateral and bilateral consultations on the diversification of Turkmen energy recourses' transit routes, realization of the East-West Energy and Transport Corridor projects

Promoting the development of economic ties between Georgia and Turkmenistan, discussing and elaborating with Turkmen authorities new prospects with aim of increased trade turnover

Coordination of the process of covering State debt to Turkmenistan for consumed gas supplies, reaching agreement on yearly programmes of providing services and goods by Georgian economic agents in the frame of existing debt, negotiations on the unresolved issues related to the remaining amounts of debt

Initiating bilateral and trilateral projects in the process of reconstruction and rehabilitation of the Afghan economy — active consultations with the Afghan Government, United Nations offices and foreign missions in Kabul on allocation of additional funds for humanitarian, educational and energy needs of the Afghan people

Keynote speaker at the international donor conference for Afghanistan in London (2006); panellist for the annual International Oil and Gas Conference in Turkmenistan

September 2002-September 2004 — **Senior Economic Counsellor, Embassy of Georgia to the United States of America, Mexico and Canada**

Area of responsibilities on a bilateral basis: cooperation with relevant United States Government agencies (Department of Treasury, State Department, Office of the Coordinator for assistance to the South Caucasus and Central Asian States, Department of Energy, Department of Defense, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), etc.), in particular, negotiating the parameters of budget for Georgia on financial and technical assistance for new fiscal year, and coordinating the process of ongoing projects' realization, including provision of direct financial injections for Georgia's budgetary needs

Elaborating new assistance programmes through USAID

Working out short- and long-term strategies for energy cooperation with the Department of Energy

Negotiations on inclusion of Georgia in the Millennium Challenge Account project, defining the areas of cooperation in the frame of the Account in consultations with the relevant authorities; participation in the process of selection of appropriate contractors

Developing new investment projects with the United States private sector

On a multilateral basis: consultations with the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank on evaluation of realization of the national budget, participation in the process of elaboration of new parameters for upcoming fiscal years

Arranging of and participating in the high-level negotiations on restructuring the foreign debt in accordance with Paris Club agreed conditions

Facilitating more active participation of the International Finance Corporation in the Georgian private sector

May 2001-September 2002 — **Senior Counsellor, Embassy of Georgia to Austria, Permanent Mission of Georgia to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and the International Organizations in Vienna, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), etc.**

Responsible for financial, economic and political-military issues: defining short- and long-term financial and technical needs for cleaning up the territory of Georgia from radioactive, chemical etc. wastes, working out the

yearly budget provided by IAEA for Georgia, participating in different United Nations forums in relation to approval of the yearly budget to the Member States

Participating in negotiations on allocation of funds for the OSCE border-monitoring missions to Georgia; provision of international financial assistance to the voluntary fund created for the withdrawal of foreign troops from the territory of Georgia

August 1998-May 2001 — **Deputy-Director of the Politico-Military Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia**

Responsible for: elaboration of annual budget provided by NATO for the Partnership for Peace programmes in Georgia; consultations with NATO international staff and relevant agencies in the frame of the Partnership for Peace State Commission led by the Minister for Foreign Affairs; consolidation of foreign assistance and allocating it for strengthening Georgia's defence capabilities

May-August 1998 — **Head of Bilateral Relations Division, Politico-Military Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia**

Personal involvement in preparation of agreements for foreign assistance by donor States and partners

May 1995-May 1988 — **State Adviser, Foreign Policy Analysis Service, State Chancellery, Staff of the President of Georgia**

Analysis of the trends and developments on global financial and energy markets in order to adjust the country's fiscal policy

January 1994-May 1995 — **Senior Specialist, Foreign Relations Division, State Logistic Service, Staff of the Head of State**

Audit and supervision of accounting and fiscal management in relation with budgetary bodies of the Government

Languages — Georgian (native), English (fluent), Russian (fluent), Italian (fair)

Marital status — Married, has two daughters and a son

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Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/63/102 of 19 March 2008, the General Assembly will be required, at its current session, to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the Committee on Contributions, for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2009.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Vyacheslav Anatolievich Logutov (Russian Federation)

Richard Moon (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea)

Thomas Thomma (Germany)

Courtney H. Williams (Jamaica)

Wu Gang (China)

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Annex

Vyacheslav Anatolievich Logutov

Born	1951
Education	Graduate of the Moscow State Institute of International Relations, 1978
Current position	Director, Department of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation
Career	
1978	Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1982-1986	Senior Accountant, Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United States of America
1989-1996	Chief Accountant, Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics/Russian Federation to Thailand
1996-1998	Chief Expert, Department of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1998-2004	Chief Accountant, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations, New York
Since 2004	Director, Department of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation
Other Activities	
2004-present	Member of the Committee on Contributions
Spoken languages	Russian and English

Richard Moon

Richard Moon is the Ambassador of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Republic of Latvia, where he has served since mid-2007. Before that he had been Deputy Ambassador of the United Kingdom delegation to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris

Mr. Moon has extensive and relevant experience of United Nations finance issues. He represented the United Kingdom in the Fifth Committee from 1999 to 2003; and then moved to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, leaving at the end of 2004. He has been a member of the Committee on Contributions since 2005

Details of career

2006-present	Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia
2005-2006	Deputy Head of Mission, United Kingdom delegation to Paris, responsible for Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development institutional reform, new membership, and the external relations of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, particularly with the new emerging economics
2003-2004	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, New York
1999-2003	Finance Counsellor, Fifth Committee, New York
1997-1999	Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Deputy Head of European Union External Department responsible for European Union policy towards Latin America and the Caribbean, the European Union/Lomé Agreement and the Mediterranean, management of the Department
1995-1997	Economic/European Union Affairs, Rome, dealing with macroeconomic analysis, structural issues such as Mezzogiorno and banking reform, European Union policy on Group of Seven
1993-1995	Political affairs, Rome, political reporting and press issues
1990-1992	Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Head of Section in the Security Policy Department responsible for United Kingdom and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization nuclear policy
1988-1990	Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Desk Officer responsible for European Union immigration and social issues
1984-1988	Political Affairs, Jakarta, dealing with internal political reporting human rights
1983	Joined the Foreign and Commonwealth Office
Born	London 1959
Educated	Oxford University (MA) and London School of Economics (PhD)

Hae-yun Park

Date of birth 8 December 1957 (Seoul)

Educational background

1988	MA at University of Pennsylvania, United States of America (in Political Science and also in Government Administration)
1981	BS at Seoul National University (in Oceanography)

Professional experience

Fifth Committee

2000	Vice-Chairman of the Fifth Committee (Fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly)
2000-2008	Member of the Committee on Contributions

National Security Council, Presidential Office

2004-2005	Director, Policy Coordination Bureau

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade

2008-	Minister Counsellor, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to the Republic of Iraq
2005-2008	Counsellor, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to the Republic of Austria and Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the International Organizations in Vienna
2002-2004	Director, United Nations Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
1998-2001	First Secretary, Permanent Mission to the United Nations, delegate to the Fifth Committee
1995-1998	Deputy Director, United Nations Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
1993-1995	First Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to Qatar
1990-1993	Second Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to the United Kingdom
1984	Joins the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (now the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade)

Private sector

1981-1983	City Desk Reporter at the *Korea Times*

Publications

"The Financial Crisis of the United Nations and the Restructuring of the Peacekeeping Scale of the Assessment", *The United Nations in the Twenty-first Century: New Challenges and Opportunities*, Seoul, 2002

"The Reform of the United Nations", *Globalization and Multilateral Diplomacy*, Seoul, Jisiksanopsa, 2002

Citation Presidential Citation (1996), National Security Council Citation (2004)

Family status Married, with two sons

Thomas Thomma

Date and place of birth

29 August 1965 in Krumbach, Bavaria, Germany

Current position

Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations (since January 2006)

Delegate to the Fifth Committee (Budget) of the General Assembly

Elected member of the Committee on Contributions (since April 2007)

Professional career

2005	Member of the working group for a national reform programme — Lisbon Strategy, Federal Chancellery (Bundeskanzleramt), Berlin
2004-2005	Counsellor, Economic policy: Research and Policy Advice Division, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin
2003-2004	Consultant economist, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Paris
2002-2003	Deputy head, Tax Policy Division, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin
2000-2002	First Secretary, parliamentary Special Committee on the Reform of Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations, Deutscher Bundestag, Berlin
1999-2000	Second Secretary, Tax Reform and Tax Policy Division, Federal Ministry of Finance, Bonn and Berlin
1997-1999	Economist, Budget Planning Division, State Ministry of Finance, Dresden
1994-1997	Parliamentary adviser to Professor M. Pfaff, PhD. Member of the Bundestag (Standing Committees on Health and Finance), Bonn
1995-1996	Lecturer in politics at the University of Augsburg
1990-1993	Research assistant, Federal Parliament (Deutscher Bundestag), Bonn

University education

1994	MSc in Economics (Diplom-Volkswirt), Bonn University
1990-1993	Graduate courses in economics and international politics at Bonn University
1989	Associate student, MBA-programme, Newcastle Business School
1987-1993	Scholarship student of the Friedrich-Ebert Foundation
1986-1988	Undergraduate courses in business administration, politics and psychology at the Universities of Augsburg and Munich (Diploma and MA intermediate exams)

Languages

German, English, French

Courtney H. Williams

Profile

Senior Director in the Fiscal Policy Management Unit of the Ministry of Finance and Planning since 2005, as Chief Fiscal Economist for five years and Fiscal Economist for another five years in the Unit. The 12 years of professional experience in the Ministry of Finance and Planning, Jamaica, have provided the requisite skills and competences for evaluating and undertaking prudent fiscal policy decisions. Major accomplishments include the provision of analytical support and fiscal policy advice to the Minister of Finance and Financial Secretary that led to the graduation of Jamaica to a non-borrowing member of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in 1996 and to Jamaica maintaining one of the largest primary budget surpluses in the world.

Notable achievements also include representing the Ministry of Finance and Planning and Jamaica at various international meetings and seminars and serving as one of Jamaica's chief experts who liaises and engages in technical discussions and agreements with major international institutions, including IMF, the World Bank, the European Union and credit rating agencies.

Personal information

Jamaican, 39 years old, married, with 2 children

Professional experience

Ministry of Finance and Planning, Fiscal Policy Management Unit, Jamaica, 1995-present

Senior Director, 2005-present

- Formulate fiscal programme within the context of the Government's objectives
- Maintain Jamaica's cordial relationship and lead technical discussions with international financial institutions
- Provide economic advice through preparation of technical reports and submission to Cabinet
- Oversee the timely production and dissemination of fiscal data and information
- Manage the budget and administrative functions of the unit
- Assist in developing the ministry's corporate and operational plans

Chief Fiscal Economist, 2000-2005

- Provided analytical support and fiscal policy advice to the Minister of Finance and Financial Secretary
- Played an integral role in the budget process through establishing expenditure ceilings, supervising revenue projections and engaging in technical discussions to develop Jamaica's financial programme
- Participated in the development of Jamaica's debt strategy

- Played a key role in negotiating, implementing and monitoring the IMF Staff Monitored Programme and Intensified Surveillance Programme

Fiscal Economist, 1995-2000

- Spearheaded establishment of a cash management system that streamlined government cash flow operations, facilitated the elimination of deficit financing by the central bank and reduced inflation to single digits
- Developed macro and micro simulation models that improved revenue forecast for the budget
- Prudently monitored fiscal operations that led to Jamaica becoming a non-borrowing member of IMF following 18 years of borrowing relationship

International assignments

- Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Single Market Symposium in 2006
- Visiting scholar at Georgia State University in 2004 to conduct research and provide technical assistance to the Jamaica Tax Reform Study
- China-Caribbean Public Servants Seminar, Beijing, 2003 — reviewed China's cultural, economic and political systems and institutions, including working tour of several cities, suburbs and institutions
- Seminar on Engendering Macroeconomics, Trinidad and Tobago, 2002
- Internship at IMF, 1999 — prepared paper on "The Wage Setting Process in Jamaica"
- Seminar on Economic Development in Latin America, Chile, 1998

University of the West Indies, Jamaica, 2000-present
Guest Lecturer, Public Financial Management

Education

Columbia University, New York
Master in International Affairs, specializing in Economic Policy Management, 1999

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Certificate in Tax Analysis and Revenue Forecasting, 1997

University of the West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica
Bachelor of Science in Economics and Management, 1993

Board/committee membership

Statistical Institute of Jamaica, Board Member, 2006-present

CARICOM, Member of the Working Group on Fiscal Policy, 2002-present

Ministry of Finance and Planning, Jamaica, Alternate Member/Division Representative on Financial and Management Committee, 2001-present

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Commission, Jamaica, Commissioner, 2001-2002

Languages

English

Wu Gang

Date and place of birth: Born on 28 November 1958 in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China

Educational background

February 1978 to February 1982, majoring in English and American literature in the Foreign Languages Department, Wuhan University, with BA degree

January 2003 to December 2003, majoring in Public Administration and Public Policy in Public Policy Programme, National University of Singapore obtaining an MA in Public Management. During the programme, several courses were conducted at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University

Training programmes attended

June 1982 to January 1983, training in international finance at FINAFRICA in Milan, Italy

October 1987, seminar on loan procedure sponsored by the Japan International Cooperation Agency in Tokyo, Japan

May to July 1996, internship at Morgan Stanley Co. in New York

Professional career

March 1982 to August 1988, Staff and Section Chief, Foreign Affairs Department and External Finance Department, Ministry of Finance, China

August 1988 to January 1993, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations, New York

February 1993 to November 1998, Deputy Director and Director, External Finance Department and International Cooperation Department, Ministry of Finance, China

November 1998 to June 2000, Deputy Director-General, International Department, Ministry of Finance, China

June 2000 to present, Deputy Director-General, Department of Public Administrative and Law Enforcement of the Ministry of Finance, China

Working experience

Over the years of serving in the Ministry of Finance of China, Mr. Wu has been responsible for the budgetary expenditure and assessed contributions to the international organizations, and later covering international meetings and forums, involved in the policy-oriented studies for the benefit of the Ministry of Finance participation in such international forums as the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) finance ministers' meeting, the Asia-Europe Meeting finance ministers' meetings, Manila Framework Meetings, G20 Finance Ministers' Meetings, etc. He has been supervising World Bank and Asian Development Bank (ADB) loan operations for Chinese investment projects and all related business and relations between these international financial institutions and China. Currently, he is responsible for budgetary management for public administrative, law enforcement and foreign-related expenditures of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of

Commerce, the Office of the State Council, the Customs Administration, the State Administration Quality Supervision and Inspection and Quarantine, etc. Related business includes financing of foreign-related activities, Chinese aid to foreign countries, budget allocations to the Chinese embassies in the foreign countries, and assessed and pledged contributions to the international organizations.

International experience

During the years from 1988 to 1993, Mr. Wu worked with the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations, covering Fifth Committee affairs, including budget and contribution issues. Thus, he had attended the forty-third to forty-ninth sessions of the General Assembly and the twenty-ninth to thirty-second sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination. After that, he mostly covered the finance ministers' meetings of a regional and global nature, such as APEC Finance Ministers' Meetings, Manila Framework Meetings, World Bank and ADB meetings, etc. Mr. Wu was elected and had served as the member of the United Nations Committee on Contributions since 2001.

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Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/63/103 of 19 March 2008, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, during its current session, to confirm the appointment by the Secretary-General of three persons to fill vacancies in the Investments Committee resulting from the expiration, on 31 December 2008, of the terms of office of Masakazu Arikawa (Japan), Madhav Dhar (India) and Nemir A. Kirdar (Iraq); an ad hoc member, Ivan Pictet (Switzerland); and two persons to fill vacancies resulting from the resignations in July 2007 of Khaya Ngqula (South Africa) and Afsaneh Beschloss (Islamic Republic of Iran).

2. In accordance with the provisions of article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, the Secretary General, after consultation with the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, submits for confirmation by the General Assembly the reappointment of Mr. Arikawa, Mr. Dhar and Mr. Kirdar as regular members for three-year terms of office and Mr. Pictet as an ad hoc member for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2009. Mr. Arikawa is the President and Representative Director of Mcube Investment Solutions in Japan and has served on the Investments Committee since 2005. Mr. Dhar is the Managing Partner of Traxis Partners, LLC, and has served on the Committee since 2006. Mr. Kirdar is the Founder, Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Investcorp in New York, London and Bahrain and has served on the Committee since 2006. Mr. Pictet is the Senior Managing Partner of Pictet & Cie in Switzerland and has served on the Committee as an ad hoc member since 2005.

3. The Secretary-General, after consultations with the Pension Board and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, submits for confirmation by the General Assembly the appointment of Linah K. Mohohlo (Botswana), Governor of the Bank of Botswana, as a regular member to replace

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Mr. Ngqula; and Mr. Simon Jiang (China), Founder and Chairman of CyberCity International Limited and Chairman of Vision Century Corporation, as an ad hoc member to replace Ms. Beschloss commencing 1 January 2009.

4. The curricula vitae of the appointees for confirmation are set out in the annex to the present document.

Annex

Masakazu Arikawa

Career

2006	President and Representative Director, Mcube Investment Solutions, Japan
2003	Managing Director, Global Pension Planning Department of Sony Tokyo
2002	President and Representative Director, Sony Global Pension Management Corporation
2001	Chairman and Board Director, Sony Global Treasury Services Plc.
1998	Board Director, Monex-Online Securities Trading Company
1997	Board Director, Sony Finance International
1997	Board Director, Sony Life Insurance
1996	Chief Investment Officer, Sony Pension Fund Management
1995	General Manager, Finance Department of Sony Tokyo
1990	General Manager, Business Group Investment in Corporate Planning Division of Sony Tokyo
1984	Managing Director, Sony Overseas SA
1974	Entered Sony Corporation
1970	Research Fellow, Science Academy of Australian National University, delivered by the Ministry of International Trade and Industry
1969	Entered the Ministry of International Trade and Industry Economic Career Service

Associations

2004	Member of the Committee for Pension Assets Investment, Promotion and Mutual Aid Corporation for Private Schools of Japan
1999	Member of the International Pension Conference

Education

1969	Graduated from Hitotsubashi University, Economics Department

Personal:

Date of birth: 3 May 1946

Nationality: Japanese

Madhav Dhar

Career

2003-present	Managing Partner, Traxis Partners, LLC, New York
2001-2002	Personal and Family Fund Management, Traxis Capital, LLC, New York
2000-2001	Sabbatical (private family time, active in local media promoting markets and economic reform, charitable activities), Delhi, India
1992-1999	Managing Director, Morgan Stanley & Co., New York
1997-1999	Member of Morgan Stanley Asset Management Executive Management Committee, Morgan Stanley & Co., New York
1984-1989	Head of Global Asset Allocation, Morgan Stanley & Co. New York
1984-1999	Head of Emerging Markets, Morgan Stanley & Co., New York
1984-1999	Portfolio Manager, Active Europe, Australasia and the Far East Allocation, Morgan Stanley & Co., New York
1984-1999	Global Strategist, Morgan Stanley & Co., New York
1984-1999	Portfolio Manager, Emerging Markets, Morgan Stanley & Co., New York

Associations

Active involvement with the Asia Society, the American India Foundation and Breakthrough

Education

MBA, Carnegie-Mellon University, 1984, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

B.S. (Honors) Physics, St. Stephen's College, Delhi University, India

Personal

Date of birth: 3 September 1961

Nationality: Indian

Nemir A. Kirdar

Career

Founder, Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Investcorp, New York, London and Bahrain, 1982 to present

Vice President, Chase Manhattan Bank, New York, 1974-1981

Allied Bank International, New York, 1969-1974

Associations

Member of the Board of Directors, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Member of the Board of Trustees, Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Member of the Board of International Councillors, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, D.C.

Member of the Board of Trustees, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.

Member of the Advisory Board, Judge Business School, Cambridge University, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Member of the Advisory Board, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University, New York

Member of the Board of Visitors, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Member of the Dean's Council, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Member of the Harvard University Board of Overseers, Committee on University Resources, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Founding member of the International Business Council, World Economic Forum, Geneva, Switzerland

Member of the Board of Directors, Qatar Financial Center Authority, Doha

Member of the Chatham House Panel of Senior Advisers, London

Education

Harvard Business School, Senior Management Programme

Fordham University, New York, Master of Business Administration

University of the Pacific, California, Graduate Degree in Economics

Honorary degrees

Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., Doctor of Humane Letters

University of the Pacific, California, Doctor of Laws

The American International University in London, Richmond, Doctor of Economics

Personal

Date of birth: 28 October 1936

Nationality: Iraqi

Linah K. Mohohlo

Career

1999-present	Governor, Bank of Botswana
1997-1999	Deputy Governor, Bank of Botswana
1994-1996	Secondment, International Monetary Fund
1989-1994	Director, Financial Markets Department, Bank of Botswana
1988-1989	Deputy Director, Research Department, Bank of Botswana
1986-1987	Deputy Director, Human Resources Department, Bank of Botswana
1982-1985	Board Secretary, Bank of Botswana

Associations

Chairman of the Board, Bank of Botswana

Chairman, Bank of Botswana Pension Fund, Association of African Central Banks (South Africa Subregion)

Member of the Board, International Monetary Fund representing Botswana International Monetary and Financial Committee; and Member representing International Monetary Fund Africa Group 1 Constituency comprising 21 anglophone sub-Saharan countries (2000-2002)

Member of the Board, Botswana Diamond Valuing Company, Diamond Trading Company Botswana, Non-Bank Financial Institutions Regulatory Authority, Diamond Empowerment Fund

Member of the Advisory Board, New Partnership for Africa's Development

Deputy Chairman, Botswana Institute of Development Policy Analysis, University of Botswana Foundation, Air Botswana

Director, Debswana Diamond Company

Commissioner, Commission for Africa

Member, Botswana Economic Advisory Council, Africa Progress Panel

Member of the Steering Committee, Africa Emerging Markets Forum

Steering Committee Member, Africa Emerging Markets Forum

Education

1992	Executive Management Programme, Yale University, United States of America
1990	MA Finance and Investment, University of Exeter, United Kingdom
1985	BA Economics, George Washington University, United States of America
1983	Diploma, Accounting and Business Studies, University of Botswana

Personal

Date of birth: 13 February 1952

Nationality: Botswanian

Simon Jiang (ad hoc member)

Career

Founder and Chairman, CyberCity International Limited, 1998 to present

Chairman, Vision Century Corporation, Hong Kong, 1998 to present

Senior Investment Officer, Investment Management Service/United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund — 1992-1998

Associations

Trustee, Cambridge China Development Trust

Member of the Board, Zi Corp. (NASDAQ-Listed Canadian company)

Member of the Board, Rothschild Investment Bank, United Kingdom

Member of the Board, Capital International Inc., United States of America

Member of the Board, China Welfare Fund for the Handicapped

Member, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference — China's Upper House

Senior Associate, Judge Business School of Cambridge University

Non-Executive Director, China Oilfield Services Ltd.

Non-Executive Director, SPG Land

Non-Executive Director, China Ocean Shipping Company International

Non-Executive Director, Bank of China Investment Managers — venture between Bank of China International and Merrill Lynch/BlackRock)

Non-Executive Director, Leighton Asia Ltd.

Education

Cambridge University — Doctorate Degree

Australian National University — Master's Degree

Beijing University of Foreign Studies — Bachelor's Degree

Personal

Date of birth: 9 September 1953

Nationality: Chinese

Ivan Pictet (ad hoc member)

Career

Senior Managing Partner, Pictet & Cie, with responsibility over general strategy matters, regional responsibility for Japan, Northern Europe and the Russian Federation with particular responsibility for the investment advisory services of the bank.

Morgan Stanley & Co., New York

Associations

President, Geneva Financial Centre

Former President, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Geneva

Former President, Foundation for Geneva

Former President, Geneva Private Bankers Association

Education

Business School of Administration of St. Gallen, Switzerland, 1970

Baccalaureate, College of Geneva, 1963

Attended the Law Faculty, University of Geneva

Personal

Date of birth: 8 March 1944

Nationality: Swiss